



**NOTICE OF RECEIPT
REQUEST TO AMEND THE ENERGY COMMISSION DECISION
FOR THE
THREE MOUNTAIN POWER PLANT PROJECT (99-AFC-2C)**

On December 17 and 18, 2001, the California Energy Commission (Energy Commission) received requests to amend the Energy Commission Decision for the Three Mountain Power Plant (TMPP) Project. The 500-megawatt natural-gas-fired project was certified on May 16, 2001. Construction of the facility is expected to begin in Spring 2002 and operation by Spring 2004. The request to amend is for the following proposed changes to the air quality Conditions of Certification (COC):

1. Allow a higher sulfur content of supplied natural gas. This change affects COCs AQ-27 and AQ-34.
2. Provide new SO₂ emission limits that were not accurately calculated during the permit process as listed in the Shasta County Air Quality Management District's (District) Final Determination of Compliance. This change affects COCs AQ-38, AQ-41 and AQ-42.
3. Provide wording change to COC AQ-41 to clarify that emissions are for each gas turbine.

To mitigate any potential SO₂ emission increases, TMPP proposes to provide ten additional woodstove units to the existing Woodstove Replacement/Fireplace Retrofit Program. The District approved the modifications on December 14, 2001 and January 3, 2002.

ENERGY COMMISSION REVIEW PROCEDURES

The purpose of the Energy Commission's review process is to assess the impacts of this proposal on environmental quality, public health and safety. The review process includes a determination that the project, as changed, will remain in compliance with applicable laws, ordinances, regulations, and standards (*Title 20, California Code of Regulations, Section 1769*). Energy Commission staff are currently analyzing the request and will publish an analysis in the next few weeks.

This Notice of Receipt is being mailed to interested parties and local property owners who may want to participate in the amendment process.

If you wish to receive a copy of the amendment request petition, staff's analysis, or the Energy Commission's order if any change is approved by the Energy Commission, please complete the enclosed Information Request Form and return it to the address shown.

If you have questions or wish to make comments regarding this amendment, please contact Connie Bruins, Compliance Project Manager, at (916) 654-4545, or by e-mail at cbruins@energy.state.ca.us within 10 days of the date of this notice.

For further information on how to participate in this proceeding, or if you require special accommodations, please contact Ms. Roberta Mendonca, the Energy Commission's Public Adviser, at (916) 654-4489, or toll free in California at (800) 822-6228. News media inquiries should be directed to Assistant Director, Claudia Chandler, at (916) 654-4989.

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